

NOW AT BEST

CANTON, Ohio, Sept. 12.—Mrs. McKinley has held up so well during the trying or

"She is bearing up as well as could be expected under the circumstances," said

Dr. Rixey to-night. "Much better than we anticipated, in fact. Indeed, she is passing through this ordeal as well as any woman could under the conditions. No, I do not regard her on the verge of collapse. She has suffered much and has been constantly grieving, but we are encouraged to hope for the best."

Dr. Rixey is well advised as to Mrs. McKinley's condition. He has been her almost constant attendant for four years. He said of her two weeks ago that she was in better health than at any time during his acquaintance with her. At the same time, he said, she was "nervous."

On this greater strength it is believed the bright hopes for the immediate future are based. It is realized that it is necessary to divert her mind from the depressing incidents of the past few days, and to this end she will be urged to take drives about the city and so far as possible resume the routine which prevailed here before the departure for Buffalo. Other matters will be kept before her attention.

Secretary Cortelyou, who left with the Presidential party to-night, will shortly return here to attend to some personal matters of the family. Dr. Rixey will remain here for the present. Mrs. McKinley will remain in the old home.

Mrs. McKinley did not look upon the fact of her beloved husband after the body left Washington, but she did sit by the coffin several hours to-day. When she found she could not attend the arranged service she asked for a family service and this was arranged. At 10:30 o'clock this morning

Dr. Manchester was called and conducted the service at the bier in the presence of only Mrs. McKinley and the nearest relatives. All others in the house at the time retired from the room.

TROOPS GUARD CANTON MAN.

One Who Met Croigsoz on the Way to Buf

CANTON, Ohio, Sept., 19.—As illustrative of the tension of the public feeling many of the mentioned the fact that the house of Mr. J. Frazier Willette is under the guard to night of Company K, Sixth Ohio Infantry, under the command of Lieut. Rice.

Mr. Willette is a mail carrier here who went to the Pan-American Exposition just prior to the assassination of President McKinley. After the tragedy occurred and after Czolgosz's picture was printed in the newspapers, Mr. Willette recalled a remarkable conversation he had had

Czolgosz, Willette said, talked of nothing but trusts and anarchy and how the rich and the powerful ought to be shot. Willette also said Czolgosz was in conversation on the boat with a man who answered the description of the person with a black mustache, who posed President McKinley.

Just before Czolgosz, and whose conduct was so suspicious that the police ransacked Buffalo to find him after the tragedy.

When Mr. Willetta returned home he related his experience with so much dramatic effect that it was thought advisable to take his deposition, which was done. Then he began to have remarkable adventures. He received an anonymous letter threatening his life. People came to him and warned him. To-day a newspaper here printed a story to the effect that a man named Whattmyer was held up last night and that when the assailants found out he was no Willetta, whom he resembles, they left him and fled.

To-night Willets came to the police station bringing with him his hat, which had a bullet hole in the rim. He said that he had been shot at by a mysterious murderer. The murderer was in his back yard, he said, and made a noise which he thought was like a cat. He had supposed that the murderer opened fire on him. Willets turned his hat to the police station with the bullet hole as evidence and asked for a guard. The military militia company was detailed and will remain on guard around Mr. Willets's house to-night.

Mr. Willets is a prominent figure among the writers of the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*. He writes poetry. His great strength as a writer is in the elegiac line. He generally writes verses on every memorial day observance.

MEMORIAL SERVICES IN PEKIN

The Spanish Minister Expresses the Sorrow of Himself and Colleagues.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

PEKIN, Sept. 19.—An impressive service in memory of President McKinley was held at the American Legation here to-day. There were present the entire Diplomatic Corps in uniform, all the military officers in Peking, Prince Qing, and the other members of the Foreign Office, and a representative of Li Hung Chang, who was unable to attend.

At the head of the column, in a gold-embroidered tunic, the Spanish Minister, and seven of the Diplomatic Corps, made an address in which he expressed his admiration of the crime which resulted in the

he also gave voice to the sorrow of himself and his colleagues, on whose behalf he extended condolence to Mrs. McKinley and the American people. Mr. Conger, the American Minister, made a gracious response.

AMERICANS TAKING PART.

Enlisting With Colombia or the Revolutionists in the Present Struggle.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Sept. 19.—Passengers arrived from Puerto Barrios, Guatemala, report all Central America excited over the Colombian revolution and war, and the marvellous American natives flocking to join and fight, seeking to have a hand in it.

A large number of Americans have already offered their services either to the Colombian Government or the revolutionists, and have had their services accepted. Among them are Gen. H. C.

Jeffreys of New York, and William Fitzgerald, both of whom have taken part in several previous revolutions in Central

America. Gen. Jeffreys has received the appointment of Admiral in the Colombian navy.

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**Mrs. McKinley Too Ill to Attend the
Final Services.**

So far as the family, the nation and his
women are concerned, all funeral so-
lennities are now over. One hundred
thousand or more persons who gathered
to-day to pay their last respects to the
murdered President are returning on spe-
cial trains to their homes. The new Presi-
dent of the United States, elected by
Troop A of Cleveland, which acted as a
bodyguard of President McKinley, living
and dead, has started back to Washington
accompanied by his Cabinet and the dis-
tinguished officers of the army and navy
who accompanied him here. By another
train, twenty-four hours all that will remain
of outward emblems of Canton's sorrow
will be the saddened faces of her own citi-
zens in the streets and the black pall of
mourning drapery which covers her build-
ings. The funeral ceremonies of the third
President of the United States to fall by
the hand of an assassin are over.

There remain now only the plans for a monument to his memory. Already there are under way This morning Speaker Henderson of the House of Representatives, accompanied by Congressman Grosvonts of Ohio, Congressman Serego E. Payne of New York and Congressman Dailoff of Pennsylvania, was driven to Westlawn Cemetery and viewed the location of the McKinley plot. The newer part of the cemetery was also visited, and although the statement is not definitely made, it is suggested that the coming session of Congress will probably appropriate funds for the erection of a monument. The plans and details are as yet embryonic, but will assume definite proportions in a week or

In addition, the school children of Canton have already started a fund to be named after the late President with a purpose clearly dear to the hearts of the school children of his country. One of the touching features of the funeral journey was the presence of thousands of school children who lined the track all along the route. Here in Canton the school children, and all little children, for that matter, fairly worshipped at his shrine. It is believed that the monument movement started by the boys and girls of the schools here will spread to every State in the Union.

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New Frontenac Hotel, St. Lawrence River, remains open until Oct. 31st or later. **Fished fishing in the whole year.** N. Y. C. & St. L. fast trains run until Oct. 31st.—**Ado.**
